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Dear Mr. Douglas:

Enclosed is an approved copy of California State Plan Amendment (SPA) 11-017. SPA 11-017 was submitted to my office on September 29, 2011 to add services that an optometrist is legally authorized to perform to the physician services section of the State Plan; the SPA also removes optometrist services from the other licensed practitioner services section of the State Plan. This SPA makes the necessary changes such that optometrists are eligible for the Electronic Health Record (EHR) incentive program.

The effective date of this SPA is October 1, 2011. Enclosed are the following approved SPA pages that should be incorporated into your approved State Plan:

- Attachment 3.1-A, page 3
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-A, pages 10a.2 and 11
- Attachment 3.1-B, page 3
- Limitations on Attachment 3.1-B, pages 10a.2 and 11
- Section 3.1(f)(1), page 27

If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Dillon by phone at (415) 744-3579 or by email at Kristin.Dillon@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosure

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